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SUBJECT: ISRAELI BRIEF NATO MISSIONS RE NEGOTIATIONS

1. MFA HAS BEEN SEPARATELY BREIFING NATO EMBASSIES HERE  
ON NEGOTIATIONS AND, NOT SURPRISINGLY, EMPHASIZING EGYPTIAN  
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR FAILURE. FROM WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED,  
MFA HAS BEEN TAKING FOLLOWING LINE:

(A) ISREL HAD OFFERED A SMALL WITHDRAWAL--10-20 KMS--  
FOR NO EGYPTIAN RETURN OTHER THAN CONTINUING SOME MOMENTUM  
IN SEARCH FOR PEACE. EGYPT TURNED THIS DOWN.

(B) ISRAEL HAD OFFERED PASSES AND OIL FIELDS IN RETURN FOR A  
FORMAL NON-BELLIGERENCY CEDLARATIONS. EGYPT HAD TURNED THIS DOWN.

(C) FINALLY, ISRAEL HAD OFFERED EGYPT WESTEN ONE-THIRD OF  
PASSES AND ADMINISTRATION OF OIL FIELDS (WITHOUT LAND ACCESS)  
IN RETURN FOR A REDUCTION OF HOSTILE PROPAGANDA,  
DEMILITARIZATION OF AREA EVACUATED, JOINT PATROLS AND LONG  
(7-10 YEARS) AGREEMENT. EGYPT HAD OFFERED IN RETURN ONLY A  
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MILD REDUCTION IN PROPAGANDA AND THE BOYCOTT(REMOVAL OF

FORD, COCA-COLA AND XEROX FROM LIST), A FORM OF NON-USE OF FORCE DECLARATIO, AND A ONE-YEAR AGREEMENT. IN ISRAELI VIEW, THIS WAS NOT NEARLY ENOUGH IN EXCHANGE FOR STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE OF WHAT ISRAEL WAS GIVING UP. THEREFOR, ISRAEL HAD REJECTED EGYPTIAN OFFER.

2. WE ASSUME MFA WILL GET AROUND TO BRIEFING OTHER EMBASSIES IN DUE COURSE. (JAPANESE ARE RATHER MIFFED THAT THEY WERE NOT INCLUDED IN FIRST GROUP BRIEFED). REACTION OF NATO EMBASSIES HERE, SO FAR, IS MIXTURE OF PROFOUND REGRET THAT NEGOTIATIONS COULD NOT BE BROUGHT TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION TOGETHER WITH SOME SCEPTICISM THAT RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS RESTS SOLELY ON EGYPTAIN SHOULDERS.  
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